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9 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
10 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

11 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

14 NICHOLAS JAMES THIESCHAFER,  
15 Defendant.

Case No. 2:23-cr-00129-TOR

STIPULATED PROTECTIVE  
ORDER REGARDING  
IDENTIFICATION OF MINOR  
VICTIMS PURSUANT TO  
18 U.S.C. § 3509

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17 The Court has received and reviewed the Stipulation for Protective Order  
18 Regarding Identification of Minor Victims Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3509, filed by  
19 the parties in the above-captioned matter, and is fully advised.

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21 GOOD CAUSE HAVING BEEN SHOWN, the Court hereby ORDERS that  
22 the Stipulation for Protective Order Regarding Identification of Minor Victims  
23 Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3509 filed by the parties is GRANTED.

24 1. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the privacy protection measures  
25 mandated by 18 U.S.C. § 3509(d), which apply when a case involves a person under  
26 the age of eighteen years who is alleged to be a victim of a crime of sexual  
27 exploitation, or a witness to a crime committed against another person, apply to this  
28 case.

PROTECTIVE ORDER REGARDING IDENTIFICATION OF MINOR  
VICTIMS PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. § 3509 - 1

1           2.     IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all persons acting in this case in a  
2 capacity described in 18 U.S.C. § 3509(d)(1)(B), shall:

- 3           a.     Keep all documents that disclose the names, identities, or any  
4                 other information concerning minors in a secure place to which  
5                 no person who does not have reason to know their contents has  
6                 access;  
7           b.     Disclose such documents or the information in them that  
8                 concerns minors only to persons who, by reason of their  
9                 participation in the proceeding, have reason to know such  
10                information;  
11           c.     Not permit Defendant himself to review discovery outside the  
12                 presence of defense counsel or a defense investigator;  
13           d.     Not permit Defendant to keep discovery in his own possession  
14                 outside the presence of defense counsel or a defense investigator;  
15                 and  
16           e.     Not permit Defendant to keep, copy, or record the identities of  
17                 any minor or victim identified in discovery in this case.  
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19           3.     IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all papers to be filed in Court that  
20 disclose the names or any other information identifying or concerning minors shall  
21 be filed under seal without necessity of obtaining a Court order, and that the person  
22 who makes the filing shall submit to the Clerk of the Court:

- 23           a.     The complete paper to be kept under seal; and  
24           b.     The paper with the portions of it that disclose the names or other  
25                 information identifying or concerning children redacted, to be  
26                 placed in the public record.  
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1 4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties and the witnesses shall  
2 not disclose minors' identities during any proceedings connected with this case. The  
3 parties and witnesses will refer to alleged minor victims only by using agreed-upon  
4 pseudonyms (e.g., "Minor 1"), rather than their bona fide names, in motions practice,  
5 opening statements, during the presentation of evidence, in closing arguments, and  
6 during sentencing.

7 5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the government may produce  
8 discovery to the defense that discloses the identity and images of alleged minor  
9 victims in this case, in order to comply with the government's discovery obligations.  
10 Defendant, the defense team, Defendant's attorneys and investigators, and all of their  
11 externs, employees, and/or staff members, shall keep this information confidential  
12 as set forth above.  
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14 6. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this ORDER shall apply to any  
15 attorneys who subsequently become counsel of record, without the need to renew or  
16 alter the ORDER.

17 7. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this ORDER shall apply to the  
18 personal identifying information and images of any minors who are identified over  
19 the course of the case, whether or not such minors are known to the government  
20 and/or Defendant at the time the ORDER is entered by the Court.

21 IT IS SO ORDERED. The Clerk shall enter this Order and furnish copies to  
22 counsel.  
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24 Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thomas O. Rice" is written over a horizontal line.

THOMAS O. RICE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE